

Outreach and Vacancy Announcement

Prevention Patrol

GS-0462-4/5



USDA Forest Service, Intermountain Region (R-4)

Boise National Forest

Mountain Home Ranger District

The Mountain Home District is advertising and will be filling up to two Temporary Prevention Tech positions (Patrol 12 and Patrol 21).

The Mountain Home Fire Organization is seeking motivated candidates to fill two critical positions in our Prevention/Patrol program. These positions are located on the Boise National Forest, Idaho, Region 4. Incumbents will serve as one of two patrols for the Mountain Home Ranger District. The purpose of these positions are to provide for first line contact with forest users and landowners within the Boise National forest boundaries with collateral duties in wildland fire suppression and prescribed fire operations.

These are 1039 seasonal positions that generally work from May until Oct. The Duty Station will be Mountain Home. Applications must be submitted through "USAJOBS". Positions will be announced under GS-05-0462-prevention/patrol Mountain Home, Boise NF.

Please submit your application in USAJOBS prior to **Feb 14, 0213** in order to be considered for these positions. Please ensure Mountain Home is selected as the duty station.

CONDITION OF EMPLOYMENT

Successfully complete the WORK CAPACITY TEST (WCT) for Wildland Firefighters. These positions participate in wildland firefighting activities. Based on the type of work performed, TAKING and PASSING the WCT at the ARDUOUS level is a "condition of employment." The Arduous fitness (Pack) Test consists of a three (3) mile hike, within forty-five (45) minutes, while carrying a forty-five (45) pound pack.

BOISE NATIONAL FOREST

There currently are 6 administrative units on the Forest: Mountain Home, Idaho City, Lowman, Cascade, and Emmett Ranger Districts and the Lucky Peak Nursery. Comprising the seventh largest National Forest in the United States, the Boise National Forest's 2.6 million acres provide diverse opportunities in resource management. Elevations range from 2,600 to 9,800 feet. The mountainous landscape developed through uplifting, faulting, and stream cutting. Most of the land lies within the Idaho Batholith, a large and highly erodable geologic formation.

MOUNTAIN HOME RANGER DISTRICT

The Mountain Home Ranger District encompasses approximately 650,000 acres in the Southern part of the Boise National Forest. It is located in close proximity to Boise, and includes administration of capitol city Front Range lands. The district also has very active programs in lands and minerals, wildlife habitat improvement, recreation, cultural resources, and livestock grazing. Game species on the district include Mule deer, Rocky Mountain elk, Merriam's turkey and Ruffed grouse.

COMMUNITY of Boise, Idaho

Boise: Boise is situated where the high desert meets the western edge of the Rocky Mountains. As the state capitol and largest city in the State, Boise is a full-service community. The Boise metropolitan area's economy is strong with many dual career opportunities, including a wide variety of federal agencies within easy driving distance, and many private sector job opportunities. Schools in the Boise area generally rank above both Idaho and National averages. There are several institutions of higher learning in the area, including Boise State University. Health care facilities and churches are widely available. Entertainment opportunities abound in Boise and the metropolitan area, with a wide array of restaurants, dinner theaters, museums, and sports-and-music venues. Additional information can be found on the Boise Chamber of Commerce website <http://www.boisechamber.com/>

Boise actively supports the arts and has a variety of cultural attractions, including the annual Shakespeare Festival, Art in the Park and the Gene Harris Jazz festival, just to name a few. Additional information can be found at <http://www.boise.org/>

Outdoor recreation opportunities in and around Boise are extensive. The nearby mountains boast a wide variety of activities including fishing, hunting, hiking, camping, Nordic and Alpine skiing, and some of the best whitewater rafting and kayaking in the world. Hiking, biking, and fishing are popular activities in the metro area as well. Boise has thousands of acres of open space in the foothills around the city that provide trails for hikers and bikers of all abilities.

The Boise climate is very pleasant and summarized below:

Elevation	2842 ft	Annual Mean Snowfall	20.9
Annual Average Temperature	51 F	Annual Mean Rainfall	12.11

January Average

22-36 F

July Average 58-90 F

Sunshine Days 234

Mountain Home: Mountain Home is located between the Danskin and Owyhee Mountains in southwest Idaho with a population of over 15,000 and is the county seat for Elmore County. The Mountain Home Air Force Base located 10 miles west of town contributes considerably to the diversity of the community and its economy. Mountain Home has a strong sense of family values and community, as evidenced in our local events, including Air Force Appreciation Day, one of the Idaho's largest parades. Mountain Home is a rapidly growing community that maintains a small town feel.

The Snake River, as well as the remote and secluded Bruneau Canyon area is located south of Mountain Home. Visitors and residents alike enjoy our abundant local recreational activities including hiking, camping, fishing, backpacking, motorcycle and snowmobile trails and hunting to name a few. The Mountain Home School District is located in Mountain Home, ID and includes 9 schools that serve 4,127 students in grades PK through 12.

Additional Information

If you are interested in working as part of the Mountain Home Fire Management Organization and would like more information, contact Matt Ziegler, Asst. Fire Management Officer, at (208) 861-3466, or e-mail at mziegler@fs.fed.us

OUTREACH NOTICE FORM
Forestry Technician (Patrol 12/Patrol 21) GS-462-04/05
BOISE NATIONAL FOREST
E-MAIL: mziegler@fs.fed.us

Mountain Home Ranger District
ATTN: Matt Ziegler
208-861-3466

NAME: _____

IBM or INTERNET ADDRESS: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

AGENCY EMPLOYED WITH: _____ USFS _____ BLM _____ OTHER

TYPE OF APPOINTMENT: _____ PERMANENT _____ TEMPORARY _____ TERM
_____ VRA _____ PWD _____ OTHER

CURRENT REGION/FOREST/DISTRICT: _____

CURRENT SERIES AND GRADE: _____

CURRENT POSITION TITLE: _____

IF NOT A CURRENT PERMANENT (CAREER OR CAREER-CONDITIONAL) EMPLOYEE, ARE YOU ELIGIBLE TO BE REHIRED UNDER ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL AUTHORITIES?

PLEASE BRIEFLY DESCRIBE YOUR QUALIFICATIONS/INTEREST IN THIS POSITION.

PLEASE INDICATE DUTY LOCATION PREFERENCE:

MOUNTAIN HOME: _____

____ PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES
____ VETERANS READJUSTMENT
____ DISABLED VETERANS WITH 30% COMPENSABLE DISABILITY
____ VETERANS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES ACT OF 1998
____ FORMER PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER
____ STUDENT CAREER EXPERIENCE PROGRAM
____ OTHER _____

Thank you for your interest in our vacancy!